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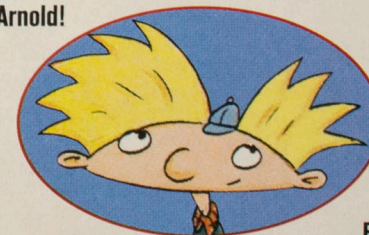
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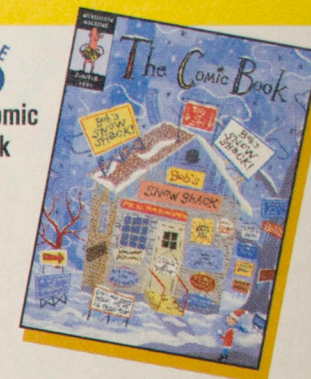


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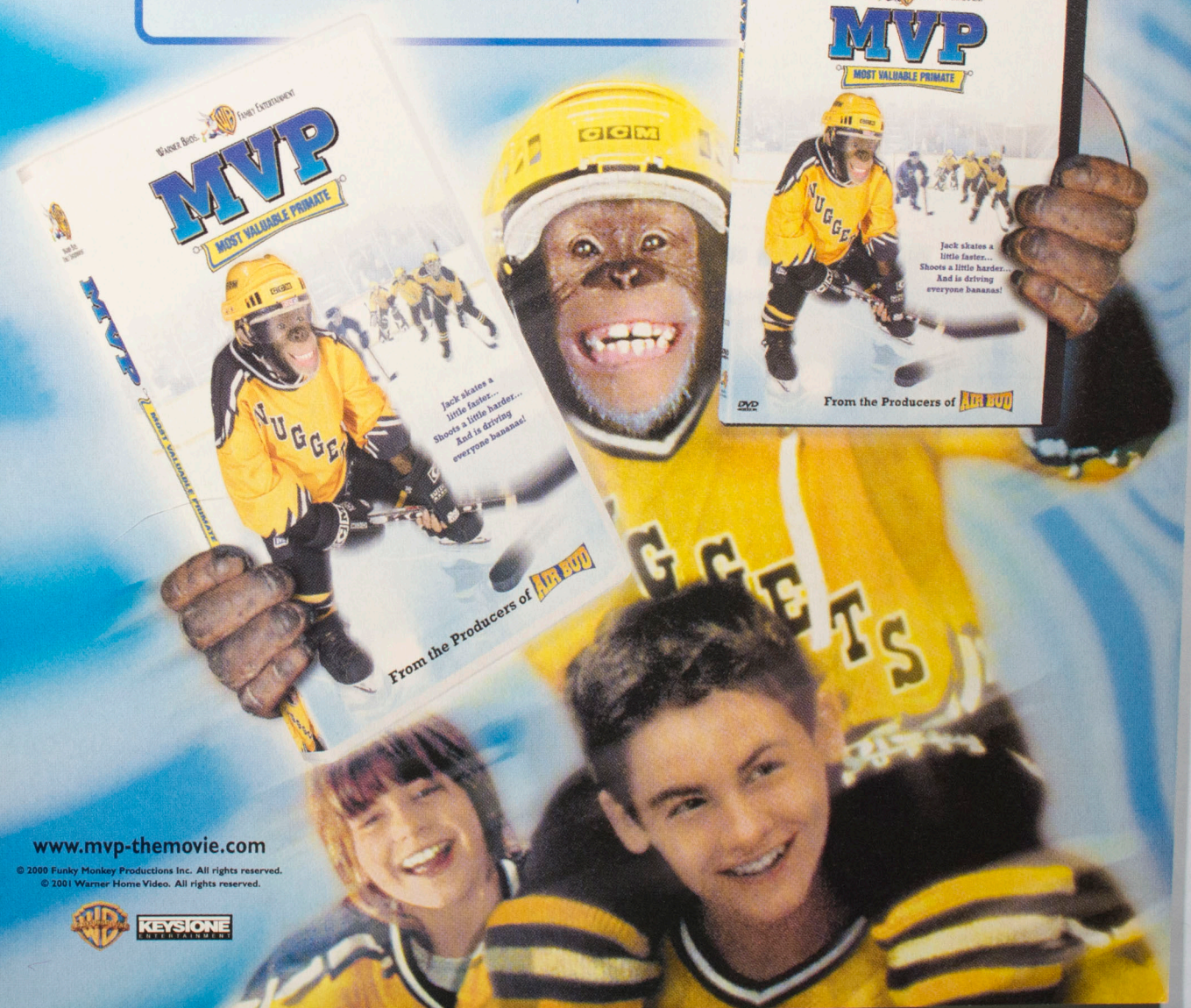
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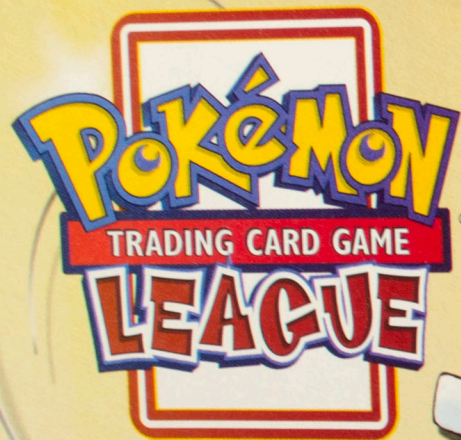


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LETTERS to the EDITORS

Real

Dear Nick Mag,

I was wondering if you guys print your magazine in Hawaiian. I can read Hawaiian and my grandma lives on the Hawaiian island Kauai. I thought it might be cool if you did.

Dorian N., age 12
Sylvania, Ohio

Dear Dorian,

We haven't printed any issues in Hawaiian yet. However, we did think it would be cool to include something hot on Hawaii in this issue. Check out "World's Hottest Jobs" for our steamy interview with a geologist from Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

From our August Issue:

Dear Nick Mag,

On a vacation with my mom and sister we went to a rest stop. I pretended to get Nick Mag's prank travel brochures there.

When they looked at them, my sister said, "We aren't spending fifty cents to look at shoes!"

Nicole K., age 12
Grand Island, Nebraska

Dear Nicole,

Just out of curiosity, what *would* she have paid to look at shoes? If this magazine thing doesn't work out for us, we might have to open up a *real* shoe museum.

From our September Issue:

Dear Nick Mag,

I am very mad that in "Bring the Torch to Your Porch" you said that if you had the Olympics in your backyard and gymnasts used the fence as a balance beam, they might fall off and get bitten by the neighbors' German shepherd. Not all German shepherds are as mean as you made them seem. They are really nice dogs.

Alissa B., age 10
Ross, California

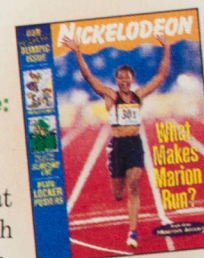
Dear Alissa,

We didn't mean to offend German shepherds or their owners. But would the joke have been as funny if we had said, "Anyone who falls off the fence will have to face the neighbors' hamster?"

Dear Nick Mag,

In your September issue, you forgot to add the Goof Troupe. Did you really make a flawless issue, or are you hiding something?

Rachel C., age 11
Camp Verde, Arizona



Dear Rachel,

We have nothing to hide, really! Though there was no Goof Troupe on the Answers page of the September issue, we did confess to a mistake from the June/July issue in Letters to the Editors.

From our October Issue:

Dear Nick Mag,

I loved your "Massive Music Issue." My Band-O-Matic band name is Part-Time Green Zombies!

Jevonna D., age 13
Pulaski, Virginia

Dear Jevonna,

We're glad that you were massively into the issue. Here are some bonus celebrity Band-O-Matic names that didn't make it into the story: Slim Undead Blowout (Jim Carrey), Bob and the Doughnut Explosion (Sarah Michelle Gellar), Dancing Plaid Chickens (Ben Stiller).

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WHATEVER WE WANT

We Came, We **Thawed**

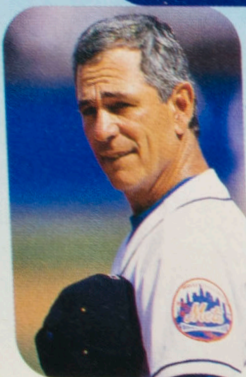
WARNING: Don't eat the **hot chili peppers** along the tops of the pages and don't be alarmed by the **page numbers**. It's just our **Hot Issue**, guaranteed to keep you warm on the chilliest winter day.

Wed To The Web

Now you can find us on the web! Go to nick.com and click on "All Nick" to get to the magazine area. You'll find puzzles, fill-ins, and stuff we couldn't cram into our pages.

Happy Saint Valentine's Quiz

How much do you know about the history of Valentine's Day? In the list below, find the two true statements. Answers on page 59.



1. Saint Valentine was a priest who lived in Italy around the year 270.
2. Bobby Valentine, the manager of the New York Mets, is Saint Valentine's great-great-grandson.
3. During his life, Saint Valentine wrote 12,000 poems, all of which started with the words *Roses are red, violets are blue*.
4. In the Middle Ages, people believed that Valentine's Day was the day birds selected their mates.
5. An autopsy of Saint Valentine showed that his heart was made of chocolate.



Eat your heart out.

What's Hot, what's Not?

Here's our list to answer that burning question.

WHAT'S HOT

The Sun
Equatorial Guinea
Fever
Sunburn
Hot potato
Heating pads

WHAT'S NOT

Pluto
Antarctica
Chills
Frostbite
Freeze tag
Ice packs



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Here's Will Ferrell playing George W. Bush on *Saturday Night Live* last November.

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SURVIVOR

OF THE FITTEST

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Survivor: The Australian Outback kicks off on January 28. To prepare, we grilled six of the castaways from the first *Survivor*.



JENNA LEWIS

What was the weirdest animal you found on the island?

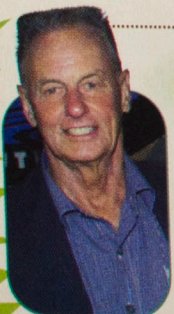
Megapodes (mound-building birds with big feet).

They look like chickens and make a sound like a dog barking.

Don't let 'em fool you.

Did you eat them?

No. We weren't allowed to eat anything indigenous [native] to the island.



RUDY BOESCH

About those bugs you guys ate: Would you ever do that again?

Well, if I had to, yeah. But I

wouldn't order them in a restaurant, that's for sure.

Are you enjoying yourself now that the show is over?

Yes. I'm busy just answering mail. I can see why these movie stars get a bunch of secretaries to do all this stuff. But I'm not gonna.



SUSAN HAWK

Do you get recognized a lot?

I've been recognized on the phone. I called the 800 number

for Hertz, and the woman on the phone was like, "Are you Susan from *Survivor*?" That was bizarre.

RICHARD HATCH

What was the weirdest animal you found on the island?

I saw a snake that was thirty to thirty-five feet long, with a blue head and a green body. There were also lots of monkeys and wild boars.

Would you go back to a place like that for vacation?

Yes. I would have paid to go.



SEAN KENNIFF

What's the first thing you think of now when you think about being on the island?

Rich, naked. That's all I can think of.

What was your favorite Tribal Council moment?

Getting voted off. Everyone else was being such a crab at that time; I was ready to get out of there when they booted me off.

KELLY WIGLESWORTH

What was the weirdest bug you found on the island?

They were like cicadas, but we called them the car-alarm bugs because they made an annoying eee eee eee sound nonstop.

What was the hardest thing to get used to once you got home?

Believe it or not, food. ☐



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A Young Explorer's Diary

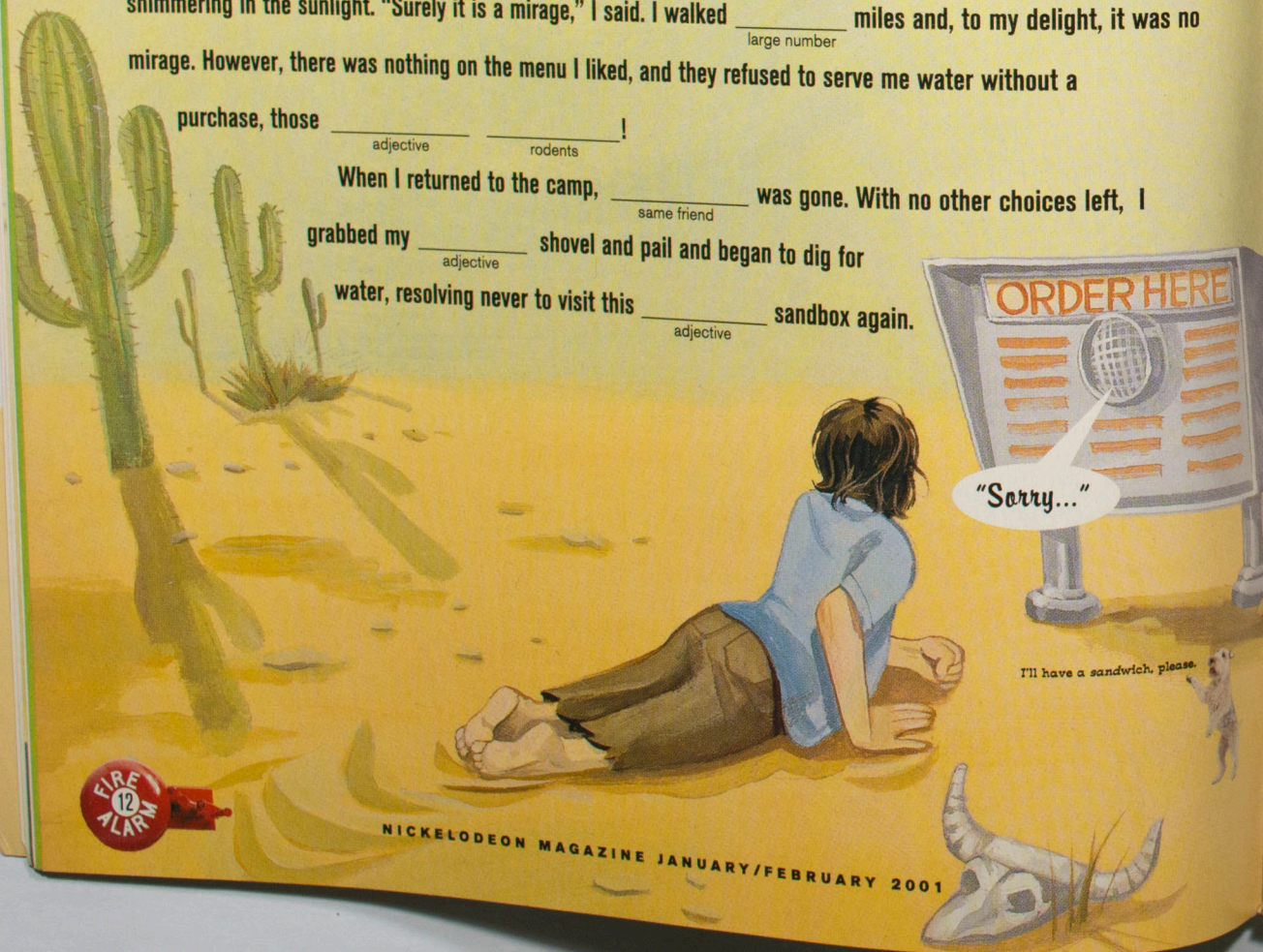
Ask a friend or family member to give you the missing words for this explorer's diary, but don't show or read it to him or her until you've filled in all the blanks.

This desert is unbearably hot. As I write this, beads of sweat as big as _____'s ego trickle down my brow. And there's only one drop of _____ left in my canteen! Don't know how long it will _____. When we started out two days ago on this _____ trek, there were 10 of us. As of this morning, only _____ and I remained. With no food left, I have to admit: _____ was starting to look quite _____.

When we woke up, we thought we heard the _____ gurgling of a freshwater stream, but it was only _____'s stomach, growling like a(n) _____ CD playing backward. The sun was so hot that my _____ was boiling and was starting to smell like freshly made _____-and-_____ soup. I didn't know how much longer we could _____. Then, in the distance, I saw a(n) _____ shimmering in the sunlight. "Surely it is a mirage," I said. I walked _____ miles and, to my delight, it was no mirage. However, there was nothing on the menu I liked, and they refused to serve me water without a

purchase, those _____!

When I returned to the camp, _____ was gone. With no other choices left, I grabbed my _____ shovel and pail and began to dig for water, resolving never to visit this _____ sandbox again.



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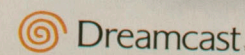
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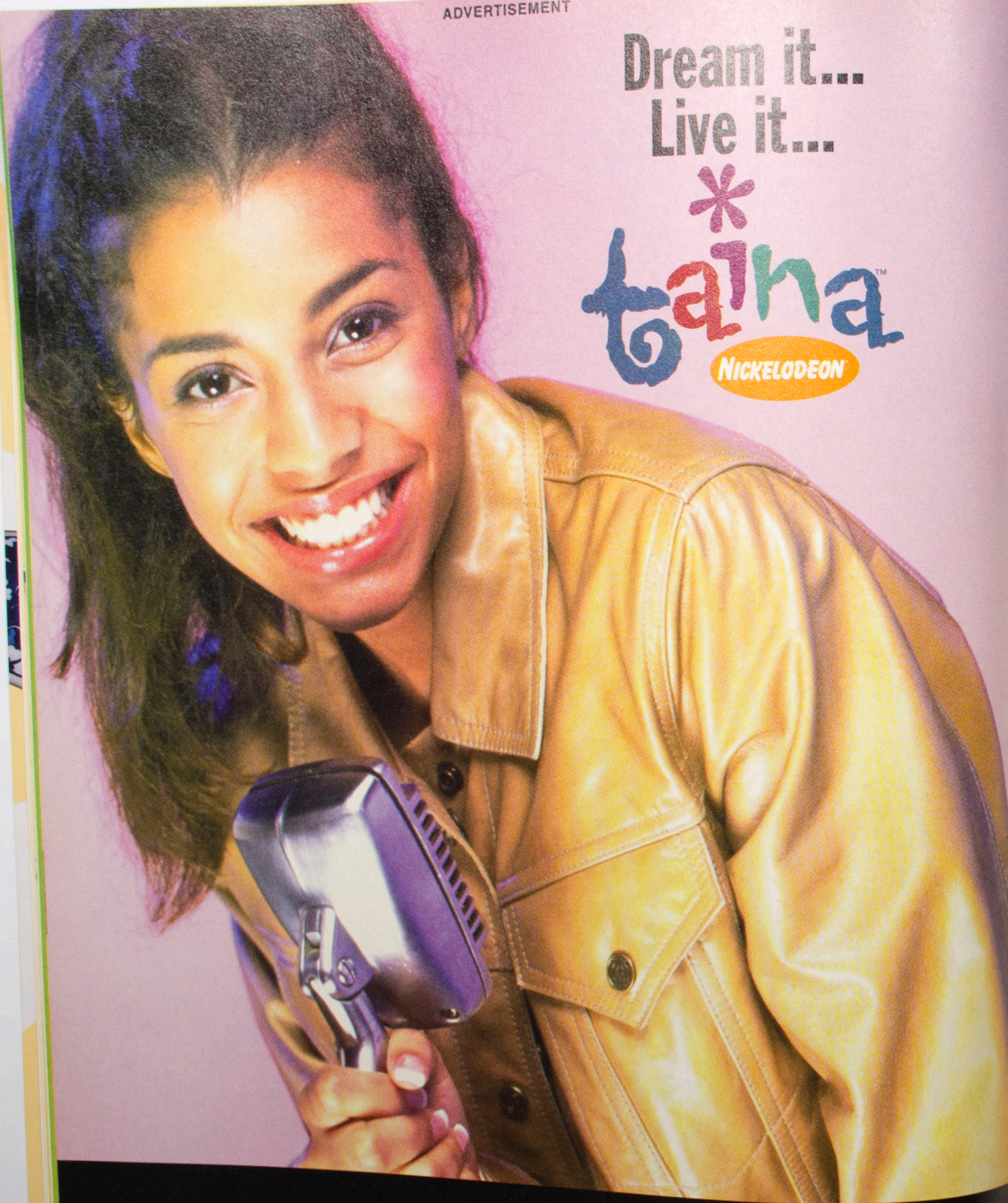


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World's Hottest Jobs

Becky Burcham talked to three people who keep their cool at hot jobs. **Real**



Going With the Flow

Christina Heliker is a geologist who studies (and lives on) Kilauea Volcano in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Hawaii.

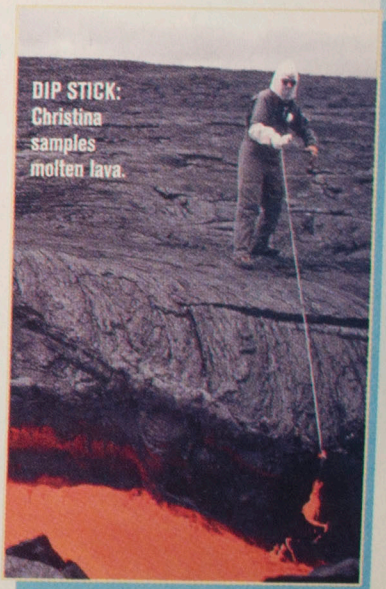


Do your feet get hot?
Yes. Sometimes people's boot soles melt.

They're troubled soles.

How do you collect lava without melting your tools?

If it's a small flow, you can walk right up to it and stick a geologist's rock hammer into it and pull out a wad of lava. It's like putting a spoon into hot caramel. Or we attach a hammerhead to a long steel cable and dip for samples.



DIP STICK:
Christina samples molten lava.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What is your job exactly?

CHRISTINA HELIKER: I've been working at the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory for sixteen years. During that entire time, Kilauea Volcano has been erupting. My job is to monitor that eruption.

How do you do that?

We map what the lava flows are doing and where they're going. We take lava samples and study their chemistry. This eruption has destroyed 183 houses and a visitor center in the national park. We try to figure out where it's heading and how fast, so people can be evacuated in time.

It sounds dangerous.

The biggest hazard we face is heat from the lava flows. This eruption involves very little explosive activity.

How hot do the lava flows get?

More than two thousand degrees Fahrenheit. But we don't experience that temperature. Many of the lava flows here are encased in lava tubes [tunnels that are made of hardened lava]. My partner and I stand on the roof of the tube, six to nine feet above the lava. The roof is a good insulator.



HOT SPOT: Kilauea is the world's most active volcano.

Have you ever gotten burned?

There are openings in the roof of the lava tubes where plumes of heat come out. We always stand upwind from them so we don't get burned. But once I was standing there and the wind suddenly shifted and blew the heat plume toward me. I could hear and smell the end of my ponytail sizzling, but it didn't burn my skin.

What's the best thing about your job?

I get to live and work on top of a volcano. I see things up close that very few people do.

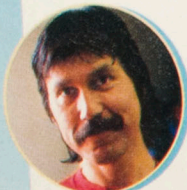
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Out of the Flying Plane and Into the Fire



Everett Weniger has been working as a smoke jumper for 20 years. Last summer he parachuted into remote forests in Montana to fight fires for the National Forest Service.



TAKING REFUGE: Animals seek out water during a Montana wildfire last summer.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What exactly do smoke jumpers do?

EVERETT WENIGER: We're the first people sent in to attack wildfires. Our job is to put the fires out or to keep them from spreading. Since wildfires are in remote areas, we parachute to reach them.

How do you contain a wildfire?

All fires are different. But generally we use our main fire-fighting tool, the Pulaski, to dig fire lines. A Pulaski is a combination ax and hoe. We use it to clear the land of wood and brush and to dig down to the mineral soil. The fire will burn up to our line of soil and then stop because there's no fuel to keep it going.

What's the hottest fire you've ever tried to put out?

This past summer I was at a fire in Montana that went from nine acres to fifty acres in twenty minutes. I could hear the fire coming toward us—it sounded like a jet.

What has been your scariest moment?

One time I was jumping with an experimental parachute that malfunctioned. I pulled my reserve chute—and it malfunctioned! I was falling to the ground with two parachutes, neither of which was working. One hundred feet above the ground, my main parachute inexplicably opened, and I went into the trees. I didn't get hurt. But that kind of got my attention.

If you could send smoke signals, what would your message say?
Send the smoke jumpers!

A Real Spitfire



Michael Morena eats fire for a living as part of a two-man sideshow act called Shock Value. He cautions that you should never, ever, try doing this at home.



NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What tricks do you do in your act?

MICHAEL MORENA: I do what I call a "fire transfer." I have a lit torch with fuel on it. I press the torch to my tongue or finger and then I use the lit fuel on my tongue or finger to light an unlit torch. I also do an "extinguish," where I take a lit torch, put it in my mouth, and extinguish it. The term *fire-eating* comes from that trick. And I do a "blast," where I take

a mouthful of fuel and spit it onto an open flame to create a cloud of fire.



BLAST FROM THE PAST: Michael spits fire.

That doesn't hurt?

I use a special fuel that burns at a relatively low temperature, so if you do it quickly, you won't burn yourself.

How did you get into this unusual line of work?

I was a theater major in college and took a circus skills class. My professor knew a circus that needed performers, and he taught me how to eat fire so I'd have an additional skill to offer them.

How long did it take you to learn?

Three days. It's very uncomfortable. You're burning yourself as badly as if you were drinking a really hot

Some Like It Hot

Jennifer Nichols burned the midnight oil while rounding up the following hot information. (All temperatures are in degrees Fahrenheit.)

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Minimum temperature required for nuclear fusion: **180,000,000°**

Core temperature of the sun: **22,500,000°**

Temperature of a volcano during eruption: **7,800°**

Temperature of the filament inside a lit lightbulb: **4,500°**

Melting temperature of 18-karat gold: **1,700°**

Maximum temperature on the planet Mercury: **806°**

Temperature of a commercial pizza oven: **620°**

Temperature of a match when first lit: **375°**

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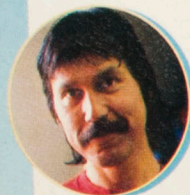
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Three days. It's very uncomfortable. You're burning yourself as badly as if you were drinking a really hot cup of coffee too quickly, and you're also poisoning yourself with fuel each time you do it. It took me nearly a year to master it and even longer to develop an act around it.

If fire doesn't scare you, what does?

Oh, fire scares me. The most important thing my teacher told me was, "Don't ever stop being afraid of fire. Because the moment you stop being afraid is when you'll get burned."

What are the most important requirements for this job?

A healthy sense of adventure, and perhaps a slight lack of common sense.

Do you like blackened foods?

Because of all the toxins I ingest, I try to stay away from spicy foods. I have a bland diet—except for fire. ☐

Some Like It Hot

Jennifer Nichols burned the midnight oil while rounding up the following hot information. (All temperatures are in degrees Fahrenheit.)

Real

Minimum temperature required for nuclear fusion: **180,000,000°**

Core temperature of the sun: **22,500,000°**

Temperature of a volcano during eruption: **7,800°**

Temperature of the filament inside a lit lightbulb: **4,500°**

Melting temperature of 18-karat gold: **1,700°**

Maximum temperature on the planet Mercury: **806°**

Temperature of a commercial pizza oven: **620°**

Temperature of a match when first lit: **375°**

Temperature of boiling water: **212°**

Temperature inside a hot-air balloon: **212°**

Average daytime temperature of sand in the Sahara Desert in summer: **150°**

Average temperature of a ballpark hot dog: **150°**

Maximum recommended temperature for a hot tub: **104°**

Temperature an egg must be kept at for a chick to be hatched: **102°**

Body temperature of a dog: **100.8°**

Body temperature of a human: **98.6°**

Humans are so cold.

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The Heat Sheet

Do you come up dry when the topic is deserts? Here is a flood of sandy facts.

Real

A desert is any region—hot or cold—that averages 10 inches of rainfall or less a year. The Atacama Desert in Chile is the driest desert in the world. The rain in 1971 was the first the region had seen in 400 years.

Seas of sand called *ergs* cover many deserts. Winds shape the sands into mounds, hills, ridges, or dunes that can reach from 3 inches to 1,200 feet high. The largest erg is in the Arabian Desert.

Argh! An erg!



The fleshy saguaro cactus, found in the Sonoran Desert in the southwestern United States, can grow up to 50 feet high. It absorbs huge quantities of water, sometimes as much as 200 gallons in a single rainfall.



The highest temperature ever recorded was 136.4°F in the shade at Libya's Azizia Desert.

Not all deserts look alike. The Arabian Desert is covered almost entirely by sand, while the Sahara is known for its mountains, rocky areas, gravelly surfaces, salt flats, and sand.



Kangaroo rats, which are found in North American deserts, can live their whole lives without drinking water. They get all the water they need from the seeds and stems they eat.

The Sahara (pictured in background) in Northern Africa is the largest desert in the world. Dust from the Sahara has blown as far as the United Kingdom, Germany, and Florida.



Lions that live in African deserts get their water during droughts from the blood of their prey.

The camel is not bothered by desert sand and grit getting in its eyes because it has large eyelashes and an extra, translucent eyelid that allows the animal to see with its eyes closed. Camels can also close their nostrils.



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means: You are pushing your luck.

"You're seasoning your goose and the oven is preheating!"

means: You're setting yourself up to get in trouble.

"You just started down the goose aisle at the supermarket!"

means: There's still time for you to think this through and not get in trouble.

"You just put goose on your shopping list!"

means: You're looking for trouble, pal.



Try the pot roast instead.



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PULL OUT NEWSPAPER

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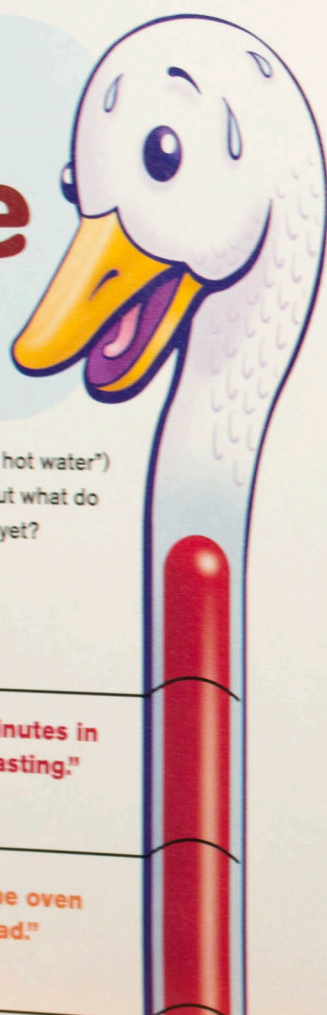
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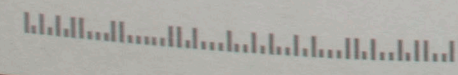
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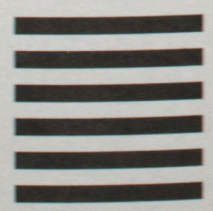
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Gas Crisis Heats Up Already Hot Region

by Sven Svensun

MOLTEN CORE, The Sun—Tensions were high and tempers were hot as lines at gas stations all over the Sun stretched for miles yesterday. The Energy Crisis has reached its record 8,000th century.

There is no sunlight at the end of this tunnel. The problem is that the Sun must constantly produce gas in order to light and heat an entire solar system. In order to maintain gas production, Sunnites are dependent on a tightly controlled baked-bean cartel.

"Frankly, I'm tired of eating beans," one woman said, at the wheel of her Mercury Flare.



No relief in sight for bloated, gassy consumers.

By evening, tempers had cooled somewhat. Residents, full of beans, sat in their living rooms and began pumping out gas. Once again, an unappreciative, cold solar system will wake up to a glorious sunrise, never knowing what bad smells went into creating it.

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"I couldn't tell you," the Sunnyside pep squad captain said. "I completely forget what this whole thing is about. We just want our Dawg back."

"I agree," said his enemy, the Sunset Village student council president. "I really have no idea."

And yet, the region still remains a flaming hotbed of student activities.

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The 2001 Chevy Supernova (which comes with a sunroof, standard) wowed spectators at the Civic Solarium. It goes from 0° to 300° in 1.2 seconds. Also featured at the car show: new models of the Eclipse, Mirage, Saturn, and Sun Beetle.

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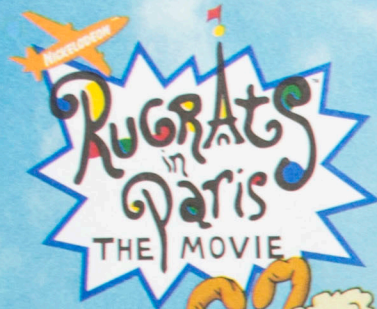
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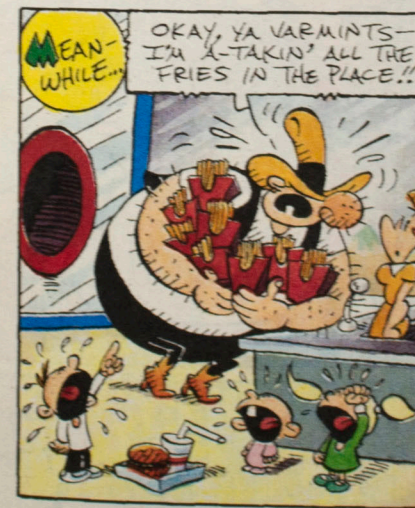
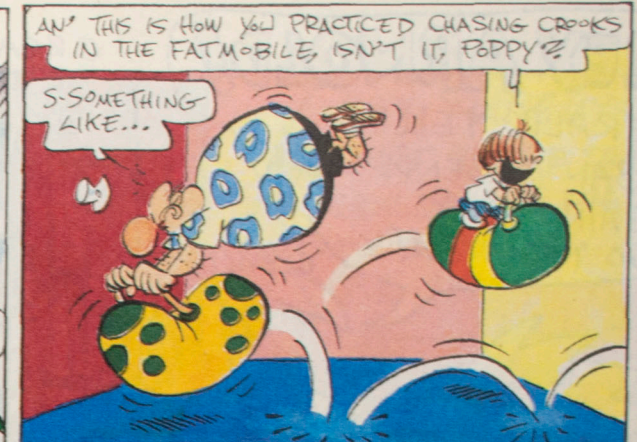
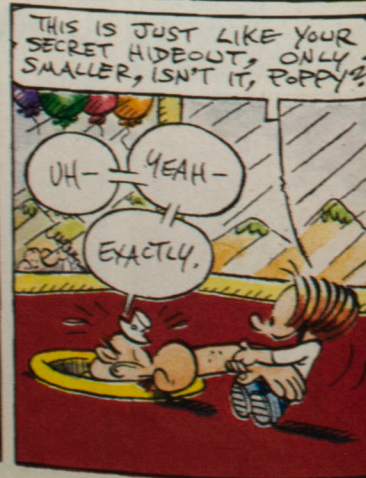
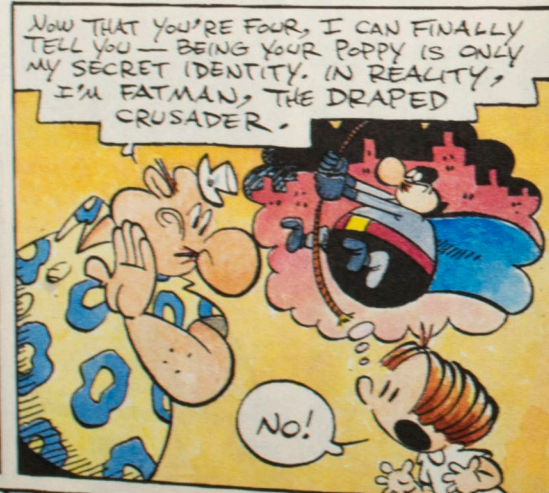
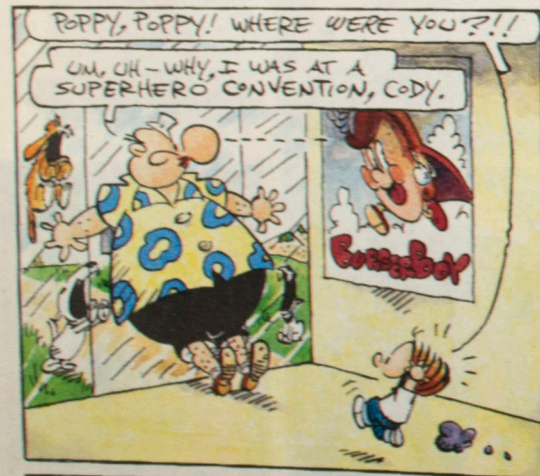
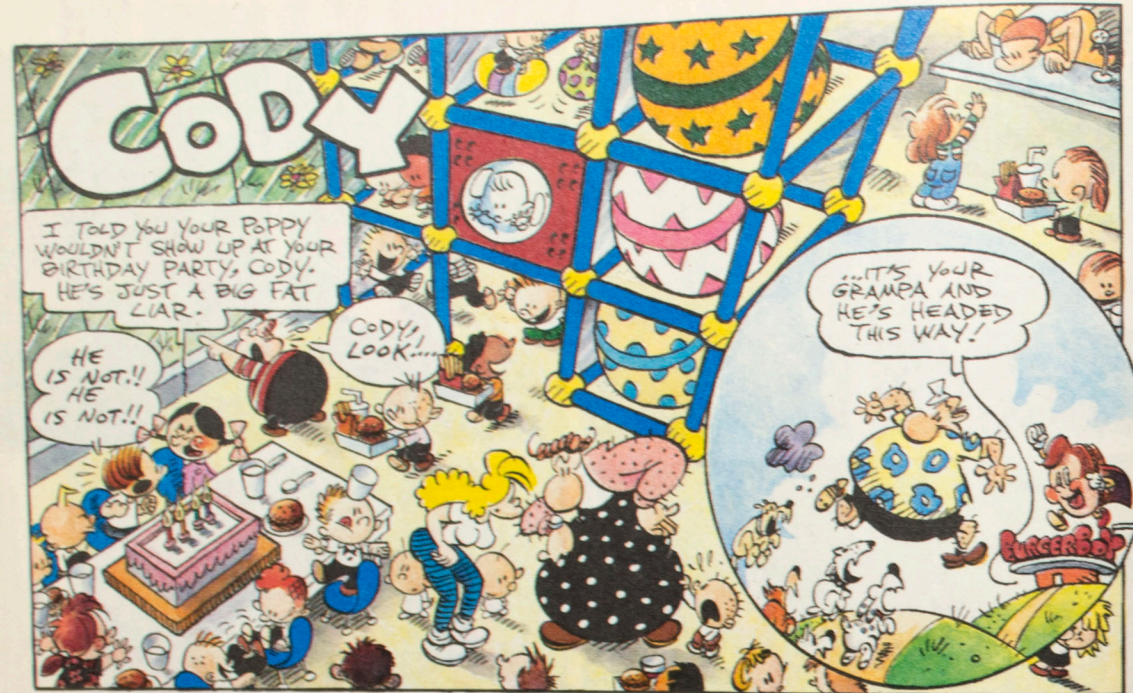
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HEY YOU GUYS! I JUST HEARD THAT GERALD'S ALL THE WAY OVER AT P.S. 119!!



Stories from the Scalp

HELP US, DANGER LOUSE!

WHAT'S GOT YOU SPOOKED, TWIB, MY CHUM?

IT'S A...

WELL, IT'S LIKE... UMM...

OH, HECK! IT'S RIGHT BEHIND YOU. TAKE A LOOK!

HOLY BANANA BALONEY!

MAYBE YOU COULD TRAP IT SOMEHOW, DANGER LOUSE!

C'MON, KID! HOW'S HE GONNA DO THAT?

ANY IDEAS WHAT TO DO?

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS BEFORE!

WAIT. TWIB IS RIGHT! DO NOT WORRY, MY FRIENDS...

...I HAVE AN IDEA...

...HOW TO WRAP THIS UP...

...SNUG AS A BUG IN A RUG!

VOILA!

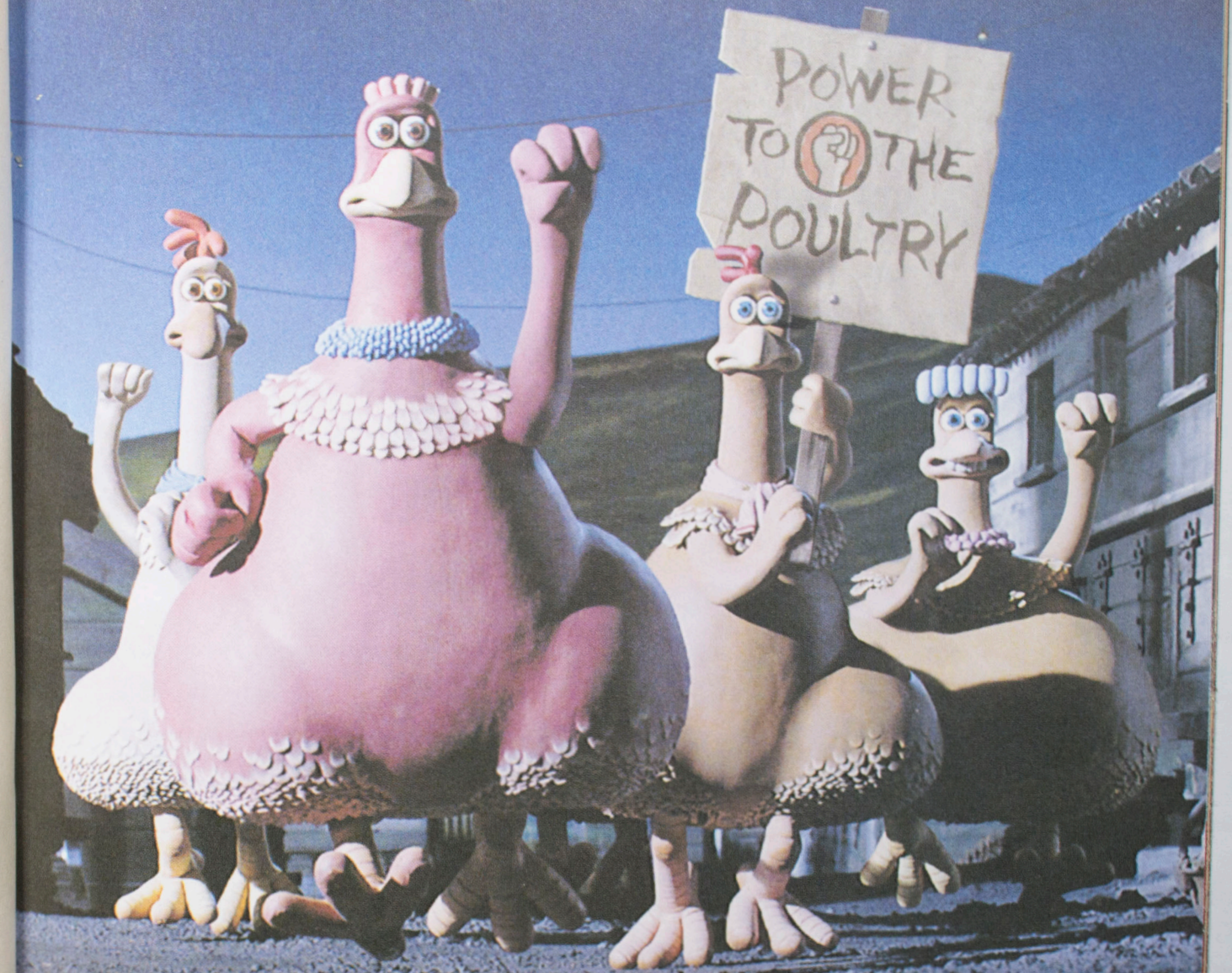
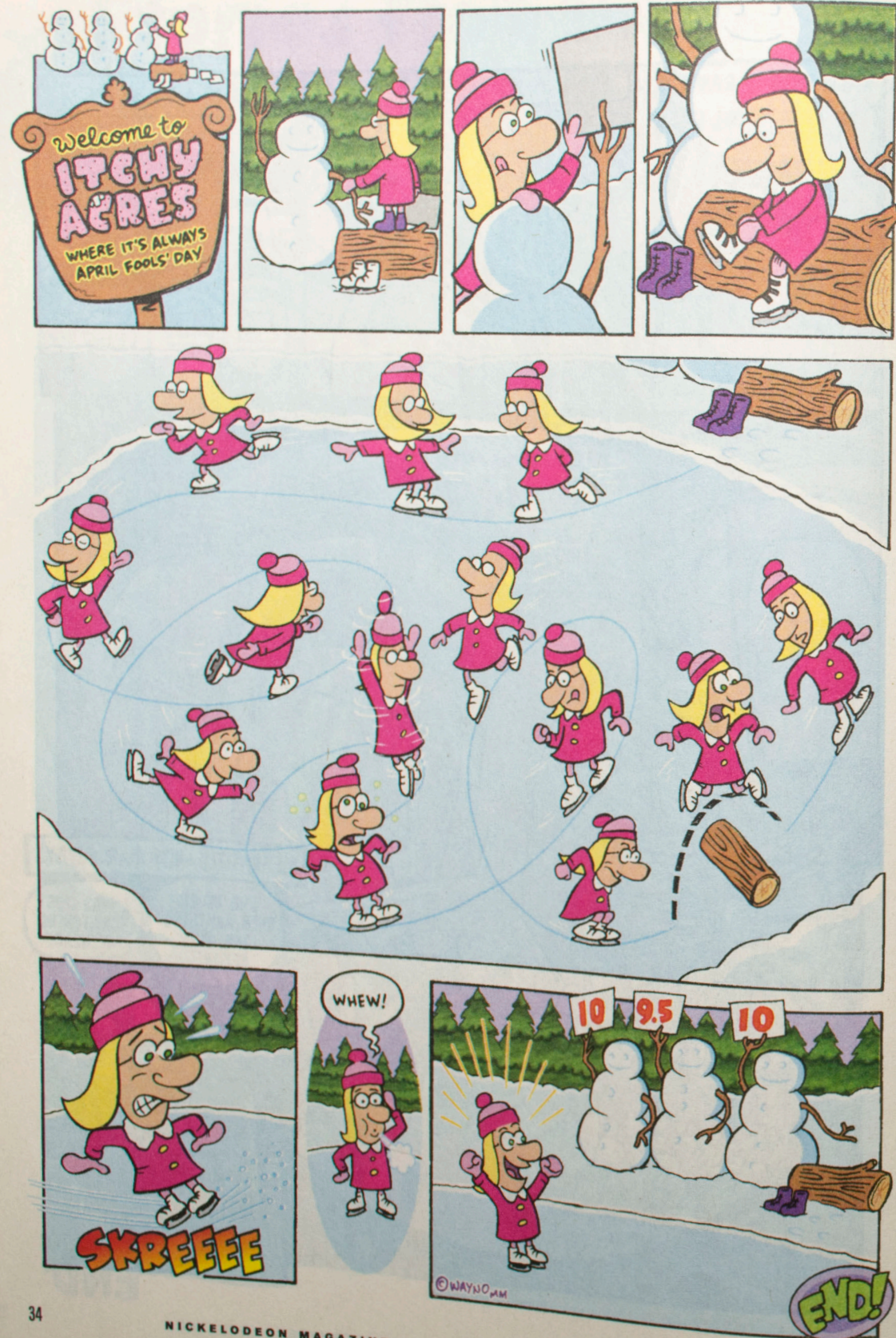
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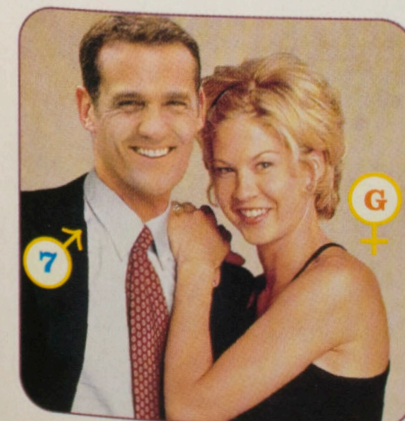
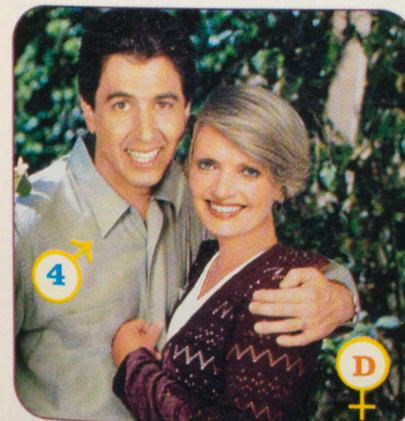
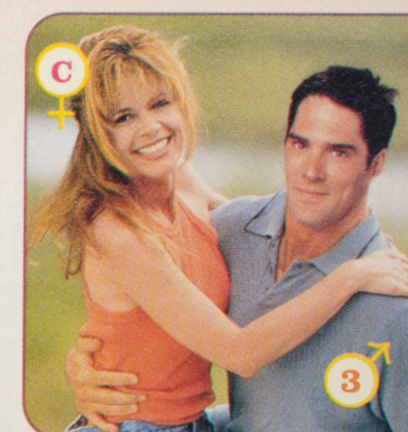
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Paired Way Off

The couples on this page may look good as pairs, but they don't belong together. Reunite each TV character with his or her valentine. Write the correct letter match next to each number below.



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And they called it puppy love...

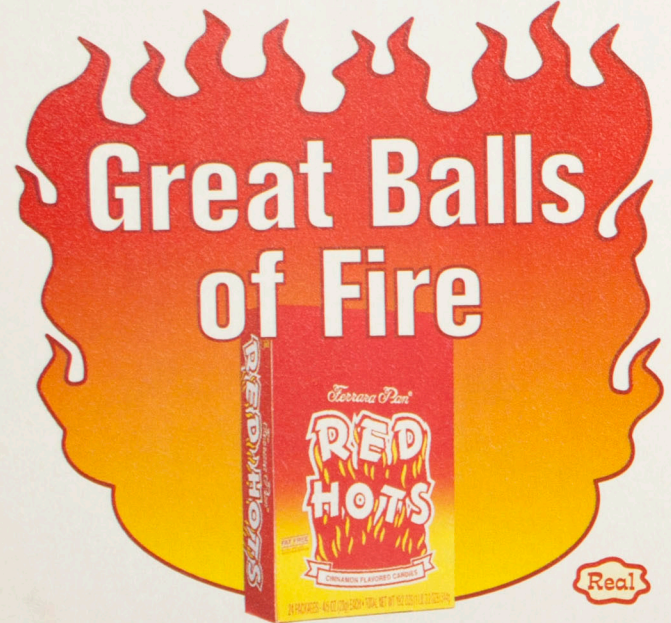


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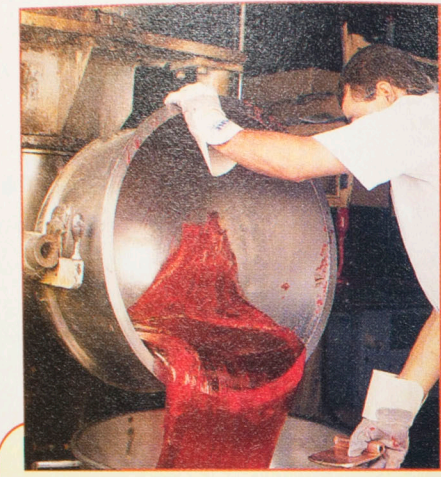


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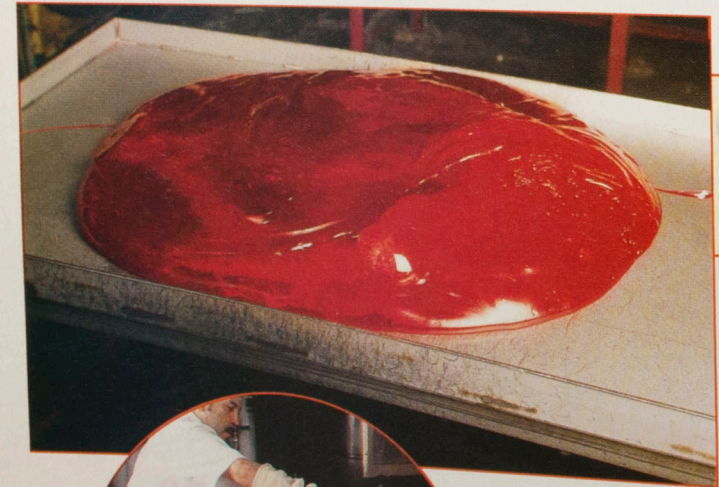




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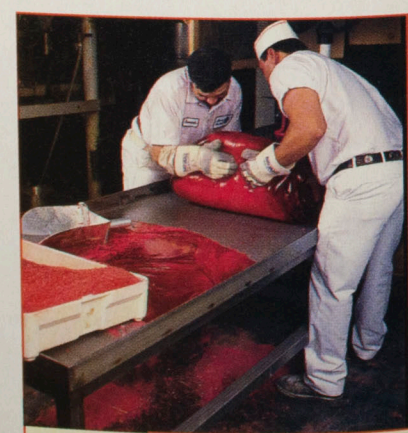
1 The process begins in the hard-candy kitchen, where the candy centers are made. Corn syrup, sugar, and food coloring are mixed in a pressure cooker and heated to a red-hot 245°F. Here, Luis empties the mixture—called a slurry—into a large bowl. He wears heatproof Kevlar gloves to protect his hands.



2a The hot slurry weighs 300 pounds. It takes three workers to lift the bowl and empty it onto a table. Then two workers wrestle the huge blob into two smaller lumps.



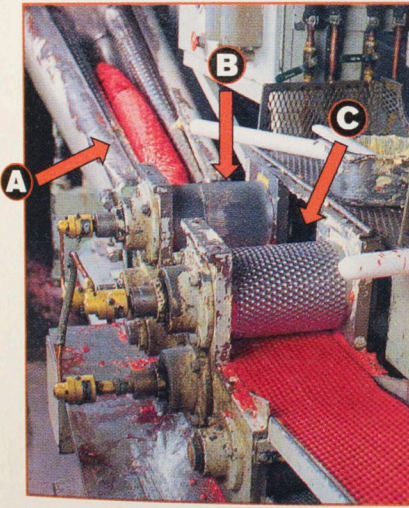
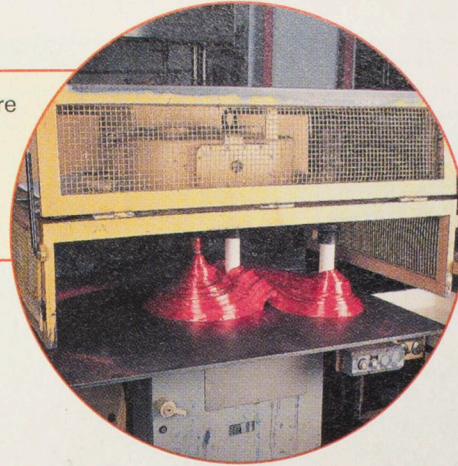
2b Everardo adds leftover pieces of already-made candy to the hot slurry, recycling bits that would otherwise be wasted.



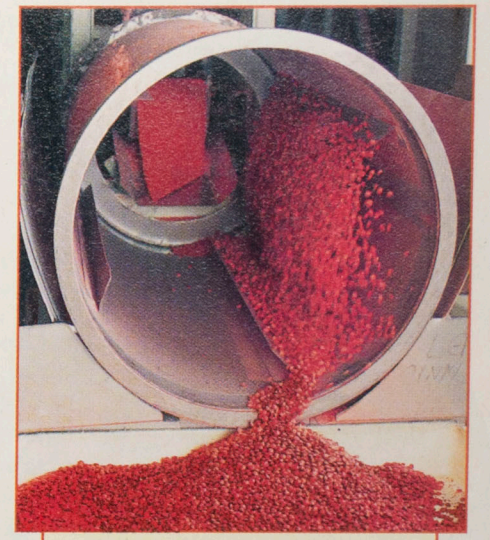
2c Everardo (left) and José then lift the gooey 150-pound mass and move it to...



3 ...the mixer, where rotating spindles fold air into the candy to make it more pliable, like taffy.



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5 At the end of the conveyor belt, the solid ribbon of candy drops into a spinning steel drum and the ball-shaped pieces break apart from the rest of the ribbon. Small holes in the drum filter out the excess candy so it can be reused later. The drum empties the candy balls into a tray, which is brought to the engrossing room.

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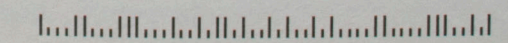
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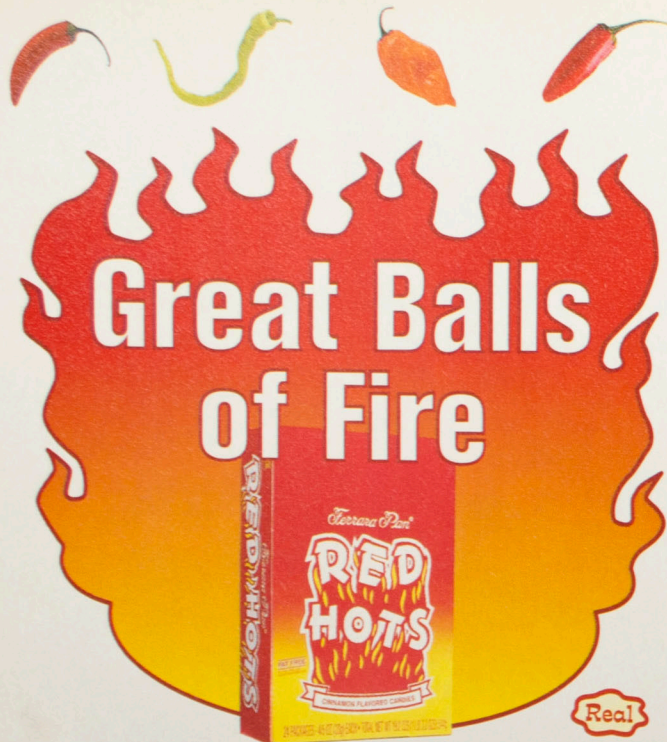
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1* The process begins in the hard-candy kitchen, where the candy centers are made. Corn syrup, sugar, and food coloring are mixed in a pressure cooker and heated to a red-hot 245°F. Here, Luis empties the mixture—called a slurry—into a large bowl. He wears heatproof Kevlar gloves to protect his hands.

2a The hot slurry weighs 300 pounds. It takes three workers to lift the bowl and empty it onto a table. Then two workers wrestle the huge blob into two smaller lumps.

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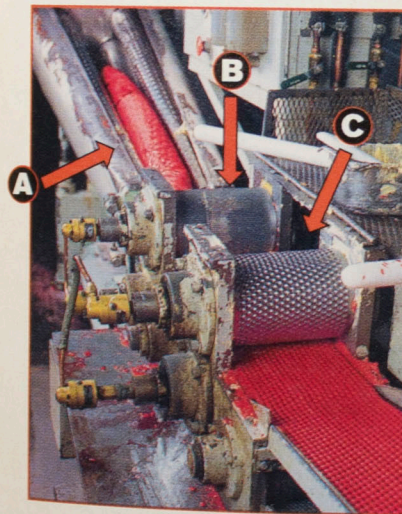
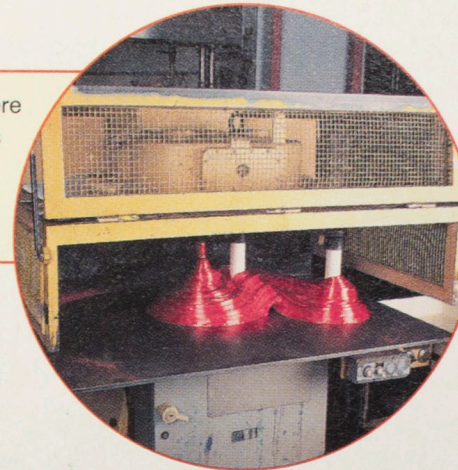
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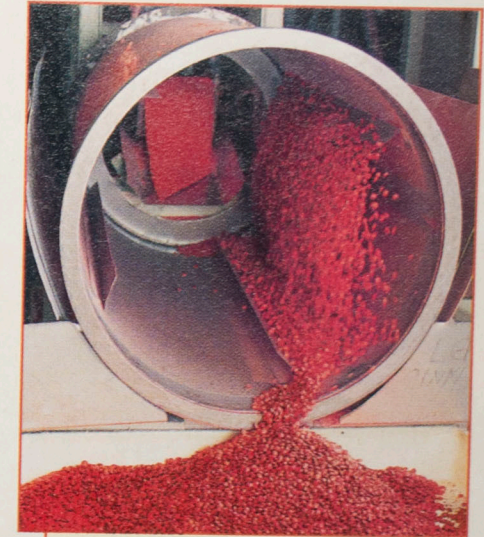
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3* ...the mixer, where rotating spindles fold air into the candy to make it more pliable, like taffy.



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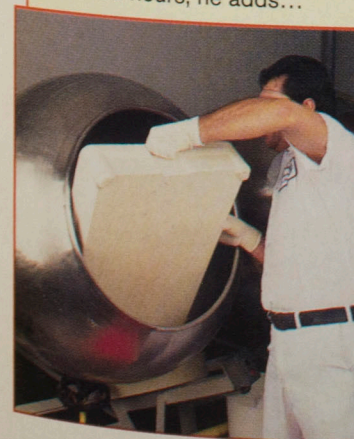


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6* In the engrossing room, Mario loads the candy balls into a large, spinning pan. Mario works on 10 pans of candy at once. Over the next two hours, he adds...



...several scoops of sugar for a layer of sweetness. He also adds corn syrup...

...and a mix of food dye, water, and cassia oil (for the cinnamon flavor). As each round of sweetener, color, or flavor is added, the candies grow bigger, sweeter, redder, and hotter. The spinning action causes the ingredients to form even layers around the hard candy center.



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7 Next, the candies go to the polishing room, where Jesús (left) ladles glaze into the pan. This final layer makes the candies shiny.

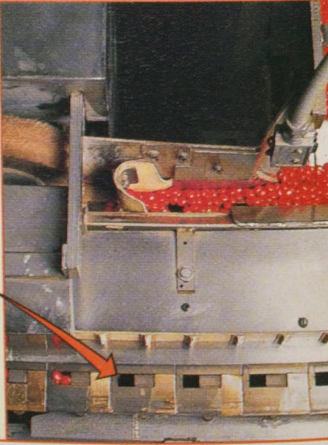
Large tubes swing into place and blow air into the pans (right) to cool and dry the candies. The finished Red Hots are dumped into a hopper, which feeds them through a tube into the packaging room.



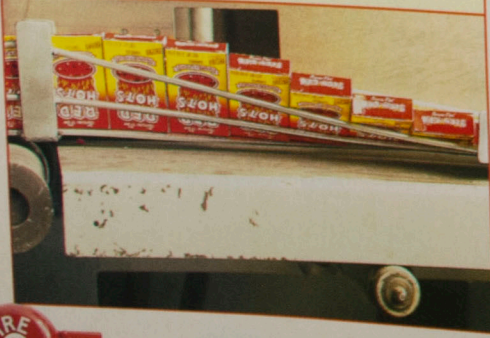
8 Claws on the packaging machine take flat boxes from a stack, pop them open, line them up, and fold them at the bottom.



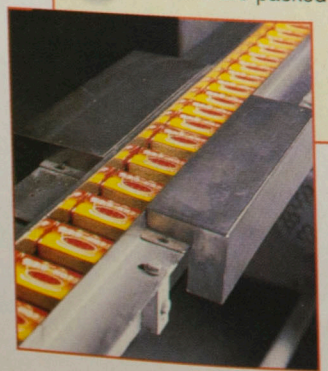
9 The line of boxes then travels underneath a steel table (shown from above). The candies are poured onto the table. Then they drop in measured amounts through holes in the table and into the boxes below. A guide on the machine automatically closes the box tops.



10 Next the boxes are made to lie flat as they head for a scale, which will check their weight. If a box is too light or too heavy, a nozzle blows it off the conveyor belt with a puff of air.



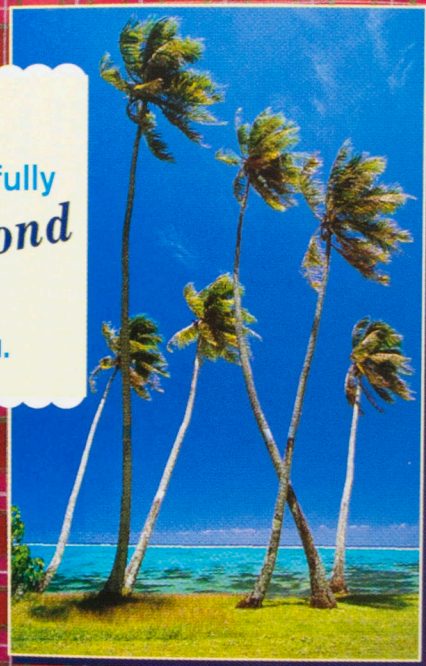
11 The boxes continue down the conveyor belt and are packed into larger boxes for shipping. Then, finally, they get packed into the mouths of Red-Hot lovers everywhere.



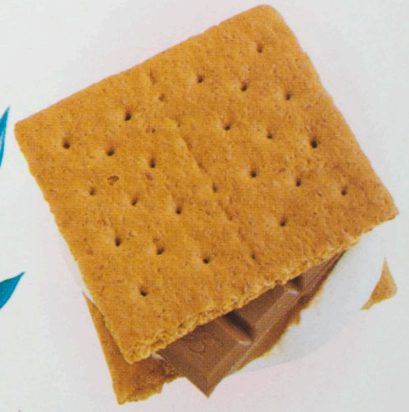
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MY HEART BURNS FOR YOU.



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From: _____



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Will you be my valentine?

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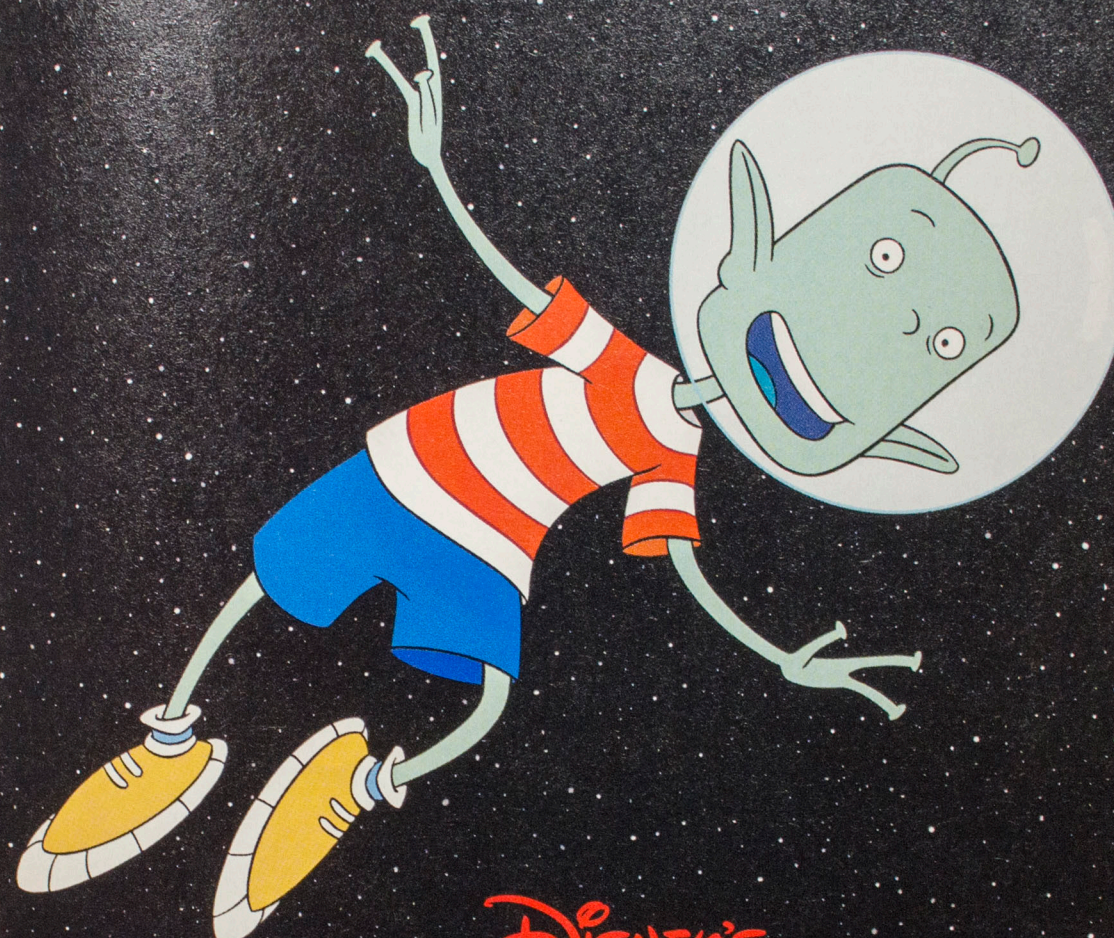
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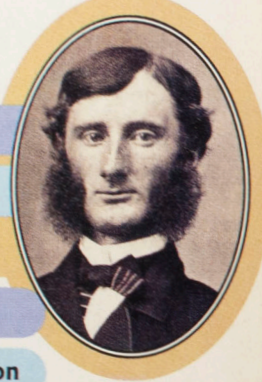
See how fast you can burn through this puzzle by matching the **burned** items on the right with the definitions on the left.

Answers on page 59.

by Susan M. Clarke

- 1 Fuzzy ice-crystal covering on food that tastes like a handful of nickels
- 2 Everyone wants the answer to this.
- 3 The title of one of Madonna's first hit songs
- 4 An evil millionaire
- 5 Rash that results from being dragged across the living-room carpet
- 6 A hooded cloak often worn by Arabs
- 7 Peninsular outcroppings of facial hair along the jawline

- A Rug burn
- B "Burning Up"
- C Sideburns
- D Burnoose
- E Burning question
- F Montgomery Burns
- 6 Freezer burn



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January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>7 The Tower of Pisa is temporarily closed to the public for leaning too far, 1990. That Pisa history was closed off.</p> <p>January is National Hot Tea Month.</p>	<p>1 Y2K1 begins Happy New Y2K1.</p> <p>New Year's Day</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 Alaska becomes the 49th state, 1959. It was a half-baked idea.</p>	<p>4 Sir Isaac Newton, scientist, born, 1643. He fell to Earth today.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 First around-the-world flight, 1942. Please feel free to move about the planet.</p>
<p>21 Christian Dior, fashion designer, born, 1905. He got a foot in the Dior today.</p>	<p>8 George Washington delivers the first State of the Union address, 1790. Did he remember the zip code?</p>	<p>9 Connecticut becomes the fifth state, 1788. It's a Connecticut above the rest.</p>	<p>10 TEA-TIME TRUTH #1: The world's main tea producers are all in Asia: China, Japan, Indonesia, India, and Sri Lanka.</p>	<p>11 Amanda Peet, actress, born, 1972. Happy birthday, for Peet's sake.</p>	<p>13 TEA-TIME TRUTH #2: A cup of tea has about half as much caffeine as a cup of coffee.</p>	<p>20 Penguin Awareness Day in Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey. It's a black-tie affair.</p>
<p>28 Nick Carter, member of the Backstreet Boys, born, 1980. He started out as a Backstreet Baby.</p>	<p>15 TEA-TIME TRUTH #3: Tea is the second most popular drink in the world, after water. MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY</p>	<p>16 Aaliyah, singer, born, 1979. Aaliyah be seeing her.</p>	<p>18 Sundance Film Festival begins in Park City, Utah. They'll be screening for more.</p>	<p>26 Australia Day Aussie you Down Under.</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>29 National Puzzle Day When is National Answers Day?</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Edouard Manet, painter, born, 1832. A good Manet is hard to find.</p>	<p>24 The first Boy Scout troop is organized, 1908. And den they started scouting.</p>	<p>25 TEA-TIME TRUTH #4: The word chai means tea in at least 14 languages.</p>	<p>31 Justin Timberlake, member of "NSYNC," born, 1981. He was born Justin time.</p>	<p>31</p>
<p>29 National Puzzle Day When is National Answers Day?</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 TEA-TIME TRUTH #5: In 1908 Thomas Sullivan of New York developed the concept of tea in a bag.</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>31</p>

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Oh, a Test

We guarantee you'll have a hot time with this puzzle. We took common phrases with the word *hot* in them and jumbled the letters. Can you unscramble them?

Answers on page 59.

- Hi, o rat
- Oh, butt
- Dog host
- Hop, tot
- Lone hit
- Oh, a test h o t s e a t
- Help a tot
- A tooth pot
- That cool echo
- Thin, wet oar



I'm a dot hog.

(Hot tip: Every answer except the last one starts with the word *hot*.)

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February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Reel February is National Snack Month. 4 Oscar De La Hoya, boxer, born, 1973. He must have been a little knockout. 11 National Inventors' Day I linker, therefore I am. 18 Daytona 500 is run in Daytona Beach, Florida. They're just out for a fast buck. 25 Reeler first demonstrated, 1835. It barely made a blip.	6 SNACK SNIPPET #1: The average American eats about 68 quarts of popcorn a year. 12 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show begins in New York City. Who will be beast in show? 19 Presidents' Day 26 Reeler first demonstrated, 1835. It barely made a blip.	7 Laura Ingalls Wilder, children's book author, born, 1867. Who was her prairie godmother? 14 Valentine's Day 20 Brian Littrell, member of the Backstreet Boys, born, 1975. "I want it that waaaah?" 27 Rozonda "Chilli" Thomas, member of TLC, born, 1971. It was a Chilli day.	1 Alonzo Mourning, basketball player, born, 1970. Good Mourning. 8 Alonzo Mourning, basketball player, born, 1970. Good Mourning. 15 SNACK SNIPPET #3: The word <i>pretzel</i> comes from the Latin word <i>brachiatius</i> , which means "having branches." 22 Drew Barrymore, actress, born, 1975. She Drew her first breath.	2 California Kiwifruit Day Kiwi all get along here? 9 Mena Suvari, actress, born, 1979. She's an American Beauty. 16 Jalapeño Festival begins, Laredo, Texas. Stay cool. 24 SNACK SNIPPET #4: It takes three to four potatoes to make one can's worth of Pringles potato chips.	3 Dr. Henry Heimlich, inventor of the Heimlich maneuver, born, 1920. His birth was no choke. 10 SNACK SNIPPET #2: Cracker Jack has been around for more than 105 years.	3 Dr. Henry Heimlich, inventor of the Heimlich maneuver, born, 1920. His birth was no choke. 10 SNACK SNIPPET #2: Cracker Jack has been around for more than 105 years.

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The Family Garcia

We checked in with the brothers—and the sister—of *The Brothers Garcia* to find out about their lives off the set.



FAMILY STYLE: The cast of *The Brothers Garcia* poses for a family portrait.

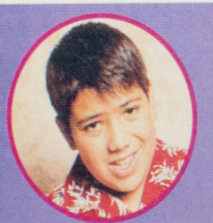
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Alvin Alvarez



Vaneza Leza Pitynski



Bobby Gonzalez



Jeffrey Licon

Character's name	Larry	Lorena	George	Carlos
Age	11	12	12	15
Languages spoken	"I speak English and Spanish at home."	"I speak English at home, but I speak Spanish with my great-grandparents."	"I speak Spanish and English at home, and I'm taking French in school because I want to be trilingual."	"English, but I'm taking Spanish in high school."
Dream guest star on <i>The Brothers Garcia</i>	Adam Sandler. "He's my favorite actor and he's a good comedian."	Aaron Carter or Jessica Simpson	Christina Aguilera	Jim Carrey
Spare-time fun	"On the weekends, sometimes my friends come over to my house for barbecues and we go for a ride in my go-cart."	"I'm a mall rat—I do a lot of shopping. I also like to read, draw, and design clothes."	"I watch TV and play video games."	"My friends and I go to the movies or to Disneyland."
Favorite TV show	<i>Dragon Ball Z</i>	<i>That '70s Show</i>	<i>Gundam Wing</i>	<i>Comic View</i>
Pets	A baby cockatoo named Noni	An Afghan hound named Shayla	Cats named Tommy, Dotty, Patches, and Sassy; a basset hound named Canela; and a flying squirrel named Magic	A miniature pinscher named Ebony
Dream job	Comedian	"If acting doesn't work out, I want to be a fashion designer or singer."	"Besides being an actor, I'd like to be a veterinarian and a singer."	Acting in and directing films



Vidal Statistics

Real



INTO THE GROOVE: Christina belts one out with backup dancers.

Eighteen-year-old **Christina Vidal** plays the main character on *Taina*, a new Nick show about a talented teen who lives in New York City and dreams of making it big as a singer and dancer. We asked Christina about her own road to success.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: How did you get involved in *Taina*?

CHRISTINA VIDAL: My agent sent me the script, and I loved it because *Taina* reminds me so much of myself. We both went to a performing-arts high school and we both have dreams of being a star. My family is like hers, too—close-knit and overbearing at times, but they mean well.

Have you always wanted to act?

Yes. I grew up watching my older sister Lisa on TV and in films, and I'd be like, *Wow, I want to do that.*

How long have you been singing and dancing?

I started taking singing lessons when I was nine. I've always loved to dance, but I didn't take professional dance classes until a year ago.

Who'd be your dream guest for a duet with *Taina*?

Marc Anthony.

Have you played any pranks on the set?

Yes. Our biggest prank was on Kim Fields, a director. She was late getting to the set, so everyone hid, and the crew took the cameras and lights off the set. Kalia [who plays *Taina*'s best friend, Renée] and I told her that no one showed up. Kim flipped out. Five minutes later, we turned the lights back on. It was hysterical.



What's the most challenging thing about working on the show?

Trying to juggle so many things at once and make it all look great. We're doing the show, recording songs for episodes, and singing and dancing in the music videos we make for *Taina*'s musical fantasy scenes. It's challenging, but it's fun—and exactly what I want to be doing.

Do you ever sing in the shower?

I love to sing in the shower. My mother has to come into the bathroom to tell me: "Will you be quiet already?" I usually sing Mariah Carey songs. For some reason, singing in the shower makes me sound better. [laughs] □

CHRISTINA'S WORLD

These are a few of her favorite things:

Favorite musicals *Grease* and *West Side Story*

Favorite snacks on the set Chocolate-and-vanilla swirl pudding, peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwiches, Doritos

Favorite song "Vision of Love," by Mariah Carey



TAKE FIVE: *Taina* and friends on the show.



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MORE NEWS FROM NICKELODEON
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What's New on Nick

by Meredith Hart

THE BABIES ARE BACK!

Chuckie's life starts to look a lot like Cinderella's after Angelica points out that he's got a stepmom and a stepsister. Check out "Finsterella" when the new season of *Rugrats* begins on Monday, January 15, at 8 PM. Then keep up with the babies every Saturday at 7:30 PM. During January, you'll also be able to vote for your all-time favorite *Rugrats* episodes on nick.com. Stay tuned for details.

IN WITH THE NEW

New episodes of *Cousin Skeeter* are on the way this month, with more adventures for Nina, Bobby, Nicole, and Skeeter. Also, get ready for the second season of *100 Deeds for Eddie McDowd* (right) in SNICK and new episodes of *Caitlin's Way* on Sundays.



Jason Hervey voices Eddie.

HEY ARNOLD, HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

When Rhonda uses an origami marriage predictor to see who in the gang will pair up for good, everyone gets excited—except Arnold. He refuses to take the test until Rhonda hints that the predictor just might point to Lila. Find out Arnold's fate on this Valentine's Day episode on Saturday, February 10, at 7 PM (and again on Valentine's Day, Wednesday, February 14, at 7 PM).



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A Hair-Raising Kid



It's Jimmy Neutron, boy genius! Also known as James Isaac Neutron, this 10-year-old keeps busy inventing gadgets in his backyard lab, training his robotic dog, Goddard, and getting out of the trouble he creates with his inventions.

Jimmy has his hands full staying on his parents' good side and keeping up with all the kids around him—especially his rival classmate, Cindy Vortex.

Jimmy Neutron will star in his own movie at the end of this year. But starting in January, you can catch him on Nickelodeon for a series of short adventures. You can also go to jimmyneutron.com to play online games based on his adventures and travels. While you're there, sneak a peek at Jimmy working in his lab.

Real

Hey, Herb!



In our October 2000 issue, Herb Scannell, president of Nickelodeon, asked you to name your favorite holiday. The results are in.

Christmas: 66%

Halloween: 21%

Birthday: 3%

Easter: 4%

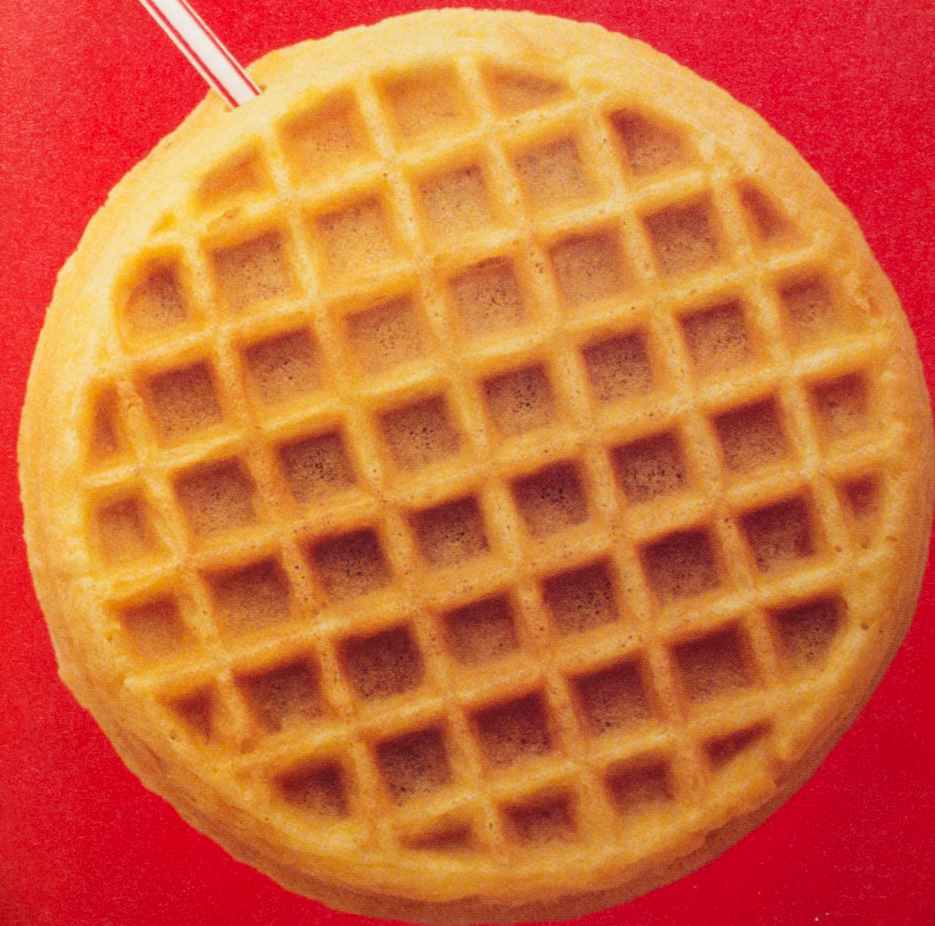
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Mike Nick, skiboarder
(skiboarding is a combination of inline skating and skiing)

Age: 24

Event: Slopestyle (riders swoosh down a course while performing a variety of jumps over obstacles)

Number of years competing: Six

How he got into skiboarding: "A student at my high school designed skiboards for a school project. After that, all the kids in my school learned how to make them, too. That's how I started out."

Practice schedule: Five or six hours a day, five days a week, in Stratton, Vermont

Favorite trick: Alley-Oop Flatspin 540: a spin in an uphill direction with a one-and-a-half rotation sideways in the air

Skiboarding tips: "Kids always want to know how to do crazy tricks before they know the basics. Learn how to do one trick first and master it before you move on to the next level."

Scariest skiboarding situation: "While I was standing on a snowy ledge, it broke apart underneath me and I fell thirty feet down to the ground. When I landed, I was buried up to my thighs in the snow."

Good-luck charm: "I always wear the same pair of socks when I compete."

I smell a winner.



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This year's Winter X Games will be held in February at Mount Snow in Vermont. We caught up with two of last year's medalists.

Tara Dakides, snowboarder

Age: 25

Events: Big Air (riders make one big jump and do a trick in the air) and Slopestyle

Number of years competing: Six

How she got into snowboarding: "I'd been skiing since I was four, but after a while it wasn't fun anymore. When I was thirteen, my mom rented some snowboards for me so I could check out the sport."

Practice schedule: "I practice on a mountain near my home in Mammoth Lake, California—four days a week, five hours a day."

Favorite trick: Backside Rodeo: a backward somersault with a half-twist at the end

Number of snowboards she currently owns: 20

Worst injury: "I fractured a vertebra in my back."

Snowboarding tips: "Beginners should wear wrist guards. Wrist sprains are the most common injury because beginners use their arms to try and break their fall."

How fast she can ride: 55 miles per hour

Sports she's bad at: "None. I pick up on sports pretty easily." [laughs]



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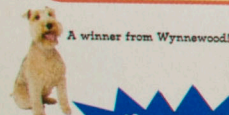
Three-Cheers-for-This-Contest Results

In our September 2000 issue, we asked you to write cheers for different countries in honor of the Olympic Games. Here are our contest winners and honorable mentions.



*Pardonnez-moi, s'il vous plaît,
France is sure to win today!
You can-can do it, France!*

Andrew R., age 13
Wynnewood, Pennsylvania



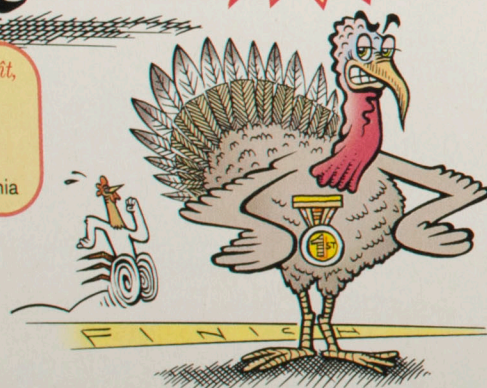
Honorable Mentions

If you lose, Scotland,
Don't shed a tear,
Just lift those kilts and
Show 'em your rear!

Annabel H., age 8
Orlando, Florida

They're gonna take ya.
They're gonna shake ya.
Watch out team,
'Cause here's Jamaica!

Monique P., age 14
Piermont, New Hampshire



Winners

Even though we'll surely lose,
We look great in wooden shoes!
Go Holland!

Noah L., age 12
Houston, Texas

We'll win those medals,
Then you'll see:
We're not chicken,
We're Turkey!

Rosemary C., age 13
Napanoch, New York

My back hurts, my retainer's too tight.
My hair's being pulled from left to right.
I'm a cheerleader, I don't know the score!
Anyway, go El Salvador!

Margaret D., age 10
Torrance, California

Kenya make it?
I don't know.
Come on, Kenya,
Go! Go! Go!

Sarah K., age 12
St. Clair Shores, Michigan

Some people like ham (uh-huh),
Some people like beef jerky (oh, yeah).
But if you are like us (uh-huh),
You will love Turkey (yeah, yeah)!

Kelsey C., age 10
Decatur, Illinois

Botswana! Botswana!
Do we want to win?
We wanna! We wanna!

Jen K., age 10
Shaftsbury, Vermont

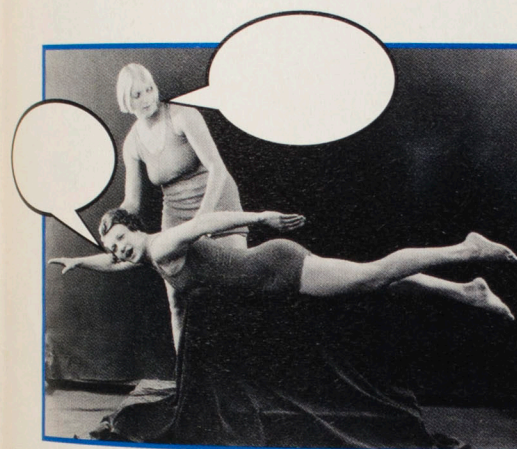
I go!
We go!
Yugoslavia!

Heidi K., age 12
St. Charles, Illinois

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Say What?

from the September 2000 issue



Swimmer: I don't know why more people didn't come to my swim party.

Instructor: Maybe they heard you didn't have a pool.

Tory D., age 10
Little Rock, Arkansas

Swimmer: I can't hold this position any longer.

Instructor: Just wait a second. I can see the water coming.

Jenny W., age 12
Waseca, Minnesota

Instructor: Hey, where'd all the water go?

Swimmer: Burp!

Tim P., age 9
Streeter, North Dakota

Swimmer: How's that?

Instructor: Hold it right there. We finally got the KFWG radio station.

Travis P., age 10
California City, California

Swimmer: It's easy to swim in imaginary water!

Instructor: Oh, yeah? Well, how about swimming faster—because here comes an imaginary shark!

Kelsie D., age 9
Spring, Texas

Swimmer: How many more swimming lessons till I can go swimming in water?

Instructor: Well, first I'll have to find a pool with no fashion police!

Cristina C., age 10
Novato, California

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If it gets any warmer, the snowman on the front lawn will melt.

Yan lakarang bés angét, togog es diarép lakarang éncéh.

Yan la-ka-RANG biss ANG-it, toe-GOG es dee-AR-ep la-ka-RANG EN-cheh.

Is it hot enough for you?

Angét sampun, anggén ragané?

ANG-it SAM-poon, ANG-in RA-ga-nay?

It's not the heat, it's the humidity.

Tén jé péngébus, niki kébus cuacéné.

Tun juh pun-guh-BOOS, ni-KEE kuh-BOOS kwa-che-NAY.

If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen.

Yan tén kuat tékén kébus, pésu dogén uli poon.

Yan ten kwat te-KEN kuh-BOOS, puh-SOO doe-GEN oo-LEE po-OHNE.



Unhahviable!

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ON THE HORIZON (from left to right): Keith Kane, Sean Hurley, Matt Scannell, Ed Toth.

Real Everything They Want

We got the lowdown on Vertical Horizon from Matt Scannell, the group's lead singer.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: Where did you get the name Vertical Horizon?

MATT SCANNELL: I'd love to say that there is a cool meaning, but there isn't. We just needed a name, and our guitar player, Keith, came up with it one day.

How do you get ideas for songs?

I have a notebook and a tape recorder that I carry with me for when I come across a phrase that I like for a lyric. When I get a chance, I'll sit down with a guitar and the lyric and start singing.

Are your songs about people you know?

They're not necessarily about one person. "Everything You Want" is about liking a girl who doesn't like you. I wrote that song more about those kinds of feelings than about one person.

What happens if you're performing and you have to go to the bathroom?

You go off to the side of the stage and run to the bathroom as fast as you can. The other guys either play a song that they can play without you or everybody solos. Then you come back and pretend you've just gone offstage to get a drink of water or something. ☐

ANSWERS

Happy Saint Valentine's Quiz (page 8): 1-T, 2-F, 3-F, 4-T, 5-F.

Paired Way Off (page 37): 1-F (Friends), 2-D (The Brady Bunch), 3-G (Dharma & Greg), 4-E (Everybody Loves Raymond), 5-B (7th Heaven), 6-A (That '70s Show), 7-C (Dawson's Creek).

Burning Questions (page 46): 1-G, 2-E, 3-B, 4-F, 5-A, 6-D, 7-C.

Oh, a Test (page 49): 1-Hi, o rat = hot air; 2-Oh, butt = hot tub; 3-Dog host = hot dogs; 4-Hop, tot = hot pot; 5-Lone hit = hot line; 6-Oh, a test = hot seat; 7-Help a tot = hot plate; 8-A tooth pot = hot potato; 9-That cool echo = hot chocolate; 10-Thin, wet oar = in hot water.

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